

**Going Without Knowing: Travelling Companions**  
**January 8, 2022 – Matthew 18:15-18**

**Although we can't know exactly where we are headed, we MUST agree on the rules of the road...**

*15 "If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. 16 But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.' 17 If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector.*

*Matthew 18:15-18*

Traveling companions are committed to \_\_\_\_\_  
*"Just between the two of you" vs. 15*

Three good ideas for healthy communication:

1. What we \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ we feel it
3. \_\_\_\_\_ we feel it about

Traveling companions systematically \_\_\_\_\_  
*"But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.'" Vs. 16*

According to CS Lewis, the item that is unique to the church = GRACE

We should be the best at redemptive relationships

Culture eats strategies lunch every time

Truth left unspoken \_\_\_\_\_  
*"if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector." vs. 17*

*"Do not give the devil a foothold." Ephesians 4:25-27*

The power for our journey \_\_\_\_\_  
*"Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." Matthew 18:19-20*